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Scott W. Huffer, *et al.* : 1772
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: Sandra M. Nolan
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For: PACKAGING MATERIAL, METHOD OF MAKING : 9325-36 (148068)
IT, AND PACKAGE MADE THEREFROM

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 29, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
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This is in response to the office action mailed from the US Patent Office on December 29, 2003. This response is being filed within the third month after the three month shortened statutory period for response as set by the action. A request for a three month extension of time and the appropriate fee accompany this response. This extension resets the response deadline to June 29, 2004.

This response includes the following elements (1) **Amendments** to the claims which begin on page 2 and (2) **Remarks/Arguments** relative to these claims which begin on page 5.

Accompanying this response is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, the associated references and the required fee. The total number of claims in the application is now 20. The total number of independent claims is now 3.

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